

## PUBLIC INFORMATION ARREST NOTIFICATION

On June 16, 2017, criminal investigators with the Inspector General's Office of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department arrested 28 year old Brittany Harty for an outstanding felony warrant # J11F17-041from McLennan County for the offense of Improper Sexual Activity with a Person in Custody. This is a state jail felony offense under the Texas Penal Code Chapter 39.04, which is punishable by up to \$10,000.00 fine and up to term of imprisonment in a state jail facility of 180 days up to two (2) years if convicted. This arrest warrant stemmed from a month long investigation conducted by the Inspector General's Office in cooperation with the Special Prosecution Unit. Harty, who was a former juvenile corrections officer, was previously employed at the McLennan County Juvenile Correctional Facility at Mart. That investigation revealed sufficient facts and circumstances for investigators to believe that Harty was sexually involved with a person under the supervision of the Department.

In addition to state criminal law, it is also a violation of T.J.J.D. policy for any employee to have an sexual relationship with any person under the care, custody, or control of that department or under its jurisdiction. The Office of the Inspector General is statutorily responsible to investigate criminal allegations involving T.J.J.D. employees, or T.J.J.D. facilities. Anyone can report allegations of misconduct to the Incident Reporting Center complaint completing an on-line form found on the OIG website http://www.tjjd.texas.gov/OIG/index.aspx, by emailing а complaint TJJD.IRC@tjjd.texas.gov, or finally by calling a 24 hour a day toll free hotline 1-866-477-8354.



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